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FOOTNOTE

* *Acmaeodera idahoensis*: Reared from *Crataegus douglasii* Lindley, OREGON: Wasco Co., Dufur City Park, wood coll. 26-V-78, em. 11-V-79, RLW (NEW LARVAL HOST).

BOOK REVIEW

Handbook of common New Guinea beetles, by J. L. Gressitt and R. W. Hornbrook. 1977. Wau Ecology Institute, c/o Bishop Museum Press, Box 6037, Honolulu, Hawaii 96818. Paper, 87p., \$4.50.

On page one of this attractive little guide to beetle *families* of New Guinea the authors inform the reader that . . . "This small handbook gives only the simplest introduction to the subject." About 45 families are included in a short key and in the text that follows. A brief description is provided for each family and some subfamilies. Some information on behavior and ecology is included. Genera found in New Guinea are also listed under the families and subfamilies. Although not every family is depicted there are about 100 illustrations of "selected representatives." The four plates in color, showing 16 species, are beautiful. The ten plates of black and white photographs are fair-to-good and 36 black and white drawings are excellent. Among the 70 references that are listed there are many important works on New Guinea beetles for the serious student of Coleoptera. Although a handful of typographical errors were noted, the only serious shortcoming of this attractive and readable book is the poorly constructed binding. At least this was the case with the review copy sent to me. This volume should be of some interest to anyone interested in Pacific beetles.

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